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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING TO EDITOR, NEWSWEEK FROM AMBASSADOR
SHIRLEY TEMPLE BLACK:

1. QTE SIR: I REGRET TO NOTE THAT THE "UPDATE" ARTICLE ON ME
IN THE JUNE 16 ISSUE OF NEWSWEEK HAD SEVERAL MIS-STATEMENTS
AND ONE RATHER SERIOUS MISQUOTE.
2. YOUR QUOTE SUGGESTS THAT AMERICAN BUSINESS SHOULD BE
ENCOURAGED TO EXPLOIT THE RESOURCES OF AFRICA SOLELY TO
IMPROVE THE AMERICAN ECONOMY.
3. THIS IS, OF COURSE, AN ARCHAIC VIEW, LONG DISCREDITED BY
MOST THOUGHTFUL ECONOMISTS AND SOCIAL PHILOSOPHERS. I HAVE
NO SYMPATHY WITH SUCH AN ATTITUDE.
4. IN TODAY'S WORLD RECIPROCAL SELF-INTEREST BETWEEN
DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS IS THE ONLY PATH TO A WORLD
BASED ON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING. AMERICAN
BUSINESS CAN BECOME EVEN BETTER CUSTOMERS FOR AFRICAN NATURAL
RESOURCES. IN THE PROCESS OF AFRICAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT,
HOWEVER, WE MUST FIND WAYS TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
ECONOMIES OF AFRICAN NATIONS. RECIPROCAL ADVANTAGE IS THE ONLY
PRINCIPLE WHICH WILL SUCCEED. THERE ARE NO LONGER ANY
ONE-WAY ECONOMIC STREETS IN THE AFRICAN WORLD.
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5. THIS FACT GLADDENS MY HEART, AS AN AMERICAN DIPLOMAT,
AND ON BEHALF OF MY MANY AFRICAN FRIENDS. SINCERELY ENDQTE.
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